

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following reasons.

Claims 1-4, 9-11, and 15 have been canceled. Claims 5, 7, 13 and 14 have been amended and claim 16 has been added. Upon entry of these revisions, claims 5, 7, 8, 12-14, and 16 will be pending.

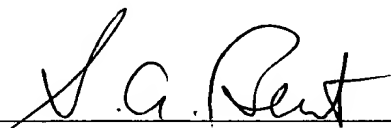
In keeping with a telephone conversation with Examiner Gupta on March 16, 2005, applicant presents claim 16, which covers sequences recited in claims 5, 7, 8, and 12, previously determined allowable. Separately, applicant amends claim 5 to depend on new claim 16, and claim 7 to stand independently. Also as discussed during the March 16<sup>th</sup> telephone conversation, applicant amends claims 13 and 14 to depend on claim 16. Finally, pursuant to the examiner's request, applicant revises claim 7 to include the necessary sequence (SEQ ID) numbers.

Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that the examiner allow claims 5, 7, 8, 12-14, and 16. The examiner also is invited to contact the undersigned, should he believe that a telephone interview would advance prosecution.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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